

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. **(Currently Amended)** A method for increasing at least one of the following two parameters of a polyamide: (i) its melting point and (ii) enthalpy of melting ΔH_m , comprising:
 - contacting solid polyamide with a substance consisting of water, water containing a minor amount of methanol, or steam, at a temperature close to crystallization temperature T_c of the polyamide, for a time long enough to effect said increase;
 - separating water or steam from the polyamide and drying the.
2. **(Previously Presented)** The method according to Claim 1, in which the temperature close to crystallization temperature T_c is from 10°C below T_c to 10°C above T_c .
3. **(Previously Presented)** The method according to claim 1, in which the temperature close to crystallization temperature T_c is from 5°C below T_c to 5°C above T_c .
4. **(Previously Presented)** The method according to claim 1, in which the duration of treatment is 5 to 100 hours.
5. **(Previously Presented)** The method according to claim 1, in which the polyamide is PA-11, PA-12, an aliphatic polyamides resulting from the condensation of an aliphatic diamine having from 6 to 12 carbon atoms and an aliphatic diacid having from 9 to 12 carbon atoms, or an 11/12 copolyamides having either more than 90% of nylon-11 units or more than 90% of nylon-12 units.
6. **(Previously Presented)** The method according to claim 1, in which the polyamide is in the form of granules or powder.

7. **(Previously Presented)** A process for manufacturing polyamide objects by sintering of polyamide powders by melting them using radiation, the powders having been treated according to, or resulting from the grinding of granules treated according to, the method of Claim 6.

8. **(Previously Presented)** The process according to Claim 7, in which the radiation comes from a laser beam.

9. **(New)** A method according to claim 1, an the polyamide is blended with an additional polymer and optionally contains a filler.